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State Senator O'Connell and Head of Statewide Cleanup Division Hold Press Conference

SACRAMENTO --- State Senator Jack O'Connell and Department of Toxic Substances Control's (DTSC) Barbara Coler, Chief of the Statewide Cleanup Operations Division will hold a press availability to highlight the cleanup and restoration of six residential properties on Monarch Lane in Nipomo. Senator O'Connell secured special funding for cleaning the site that was used as a petroleum waste dump during the 1940's and 1950's.

The media availability will be held:

Date: May 3, 2002
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: 725 Monarch Lane
Nipomo, CA

In the 1980's the site was covered with soil and developed into a housing subdivision. After development, residents observed oily waste seeping through the soil at six lots. Using funding from the Central Coast Regional Quality Control Board (CCRQCB) and Sen. O'Connell's budget act provision, DTSC began the cleanup in January 2002.

Please RSVP.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.

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